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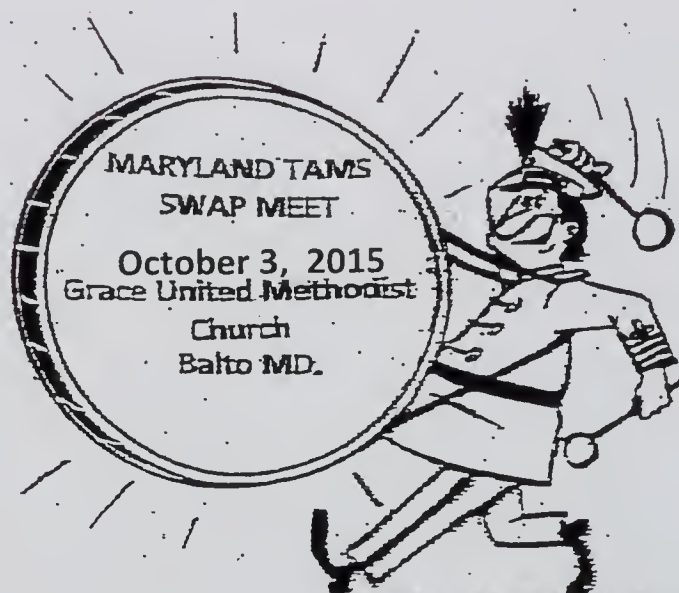
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JULY 18—Whitman Coin Expo (Convention Center) 11:00 A.M.

To 1:00 P.M.....Room TBD

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Noon to 3:00 P.M.

NOVEMBER 7, Whitman Coin Expo (Convention Center)

11:00 A.M. To 1:00 P.M.

Room TBD

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Most of you have probably already heard the very sad news about the loss of our Secretary, Paul Belschner. Paul had become such a major contributor to our organization in so many ways. His presence and contributions will sorely be missed. Paul recently lost his battle with cancer. Here is a excerpt from his obituary: "On Saturday, March 21, 2015, Paul Belschner of Kensington, MD. Beloved husband of Christine Belschner; father of Edward Paul (Rasa Zutautaitė) Belschner and the late Deborah Belschner; grandfather of Nathan Belschner; brother of Pat Lightner. Paul was a veteran of the USAF's 931st Aircraft Control Warning Squadron which had been based in Thule Greenland during the 1960's. He was an active member in many local area clubs and organizations, Paul was full of life and had been enjoying retirement after 44 years of devoted service with Verizon telecommunications. He had spent the remaining years of his career assigned to Bethesda's NIH research center."

The Maryland Token and Medal Society extends its thoughts and prayers and offers its deepest sympathy to Paul's family. Paul will certainly be missed but never forgotten.

Paul's passing left MD TAMS without a Secretary. At the last meeting, I made a call for volunteers for that crucial position. There were no volunteers that came forward that day. I asked that if anybody had an interest in taking on this job, please contact me to discuss it. Last week, a volunteer stepped forward - Bryce Doxzon. Bryce, a past President of the Maryland Token and Medal Society, offered his services and I gladly accepted. Bryce is to be commended for his volunteering in our time of need. One thing about the Maryland Token and Medal Society is that the members always seem to answer the call when our backs are to the wall. That is one factor that makes this organization so very special to me.

A related item of note is that with the above change, the Maryland Token and Medal Society now has a new address for our correspondence:

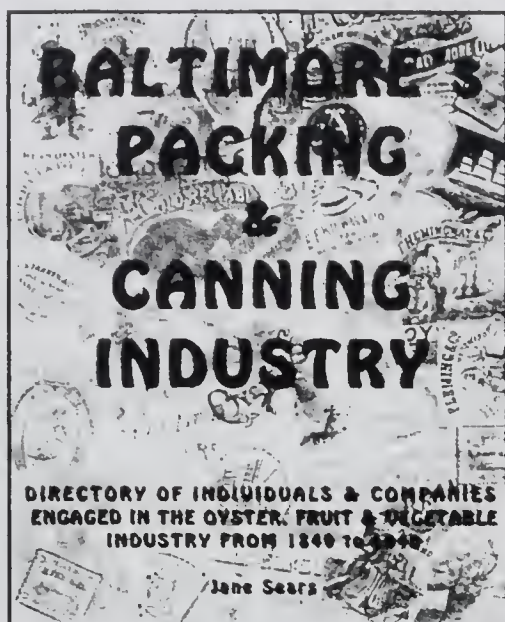
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Baltimore Packing & Canning Industry

by Jane Sears



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Available at Amazon.com

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8.5" x 11" (21.59 x 27.94cm)

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After years of extensive research, Jane Sears has completed her book on the Baltimore's Packing and Canning Industry, the city's second largest industry in the 1800's and early 1900's. The book begins in the first half of the 19th century with the industry pioneers and goes up to the 1940's.

The largest chapter in the book is an alphabetical list of the companies and people doing business in oyster packing and canning as well as tin can makers and other supporting businesses, their locations, dates of operation and as many brand names as could be found. The author used city directories and other resources to get as much information as possible about this very important industry.

Included in the book are illustrations of company owners, buildings, trade cards, billheads, letterheads, advertisements and tokens.

This book is highly recommended for Baltimore historians and is a great resource for those interested in genealogy, the history of the packing and canning industry and for collectors of items associated with the industry.

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A NEAT BIT OF BALTIMORE EXONUMIA

By .W.WALLACE STONE R-47

It's always fun to be able to add to your collection of tokens or other Exonumia items that come to your attention. This was my case recently while looking over a large accumulation of , for lack of a better word, "stuff" dealing predominately with items from and with a Maryland theme.

The two selections I made were from downtown Baltimore prior to 1923 .Round Advertising Mirrors, 38mm. One is light green the other is a light salmon color cardboard glued on the back of the mirror with the following text. "PEOPLES OUTFITTING COMPANY. 117-119-119 ½ N. Howard Street. Baltimore's largest credit house.....Furniture, Carpets, Stoves, and house furnishings, Clothing, Cloaks, Dry Goods, and Jewelry. We keep everything to furnish your house and clothe your children. Cash or easy Weekly or Monthly Payments."

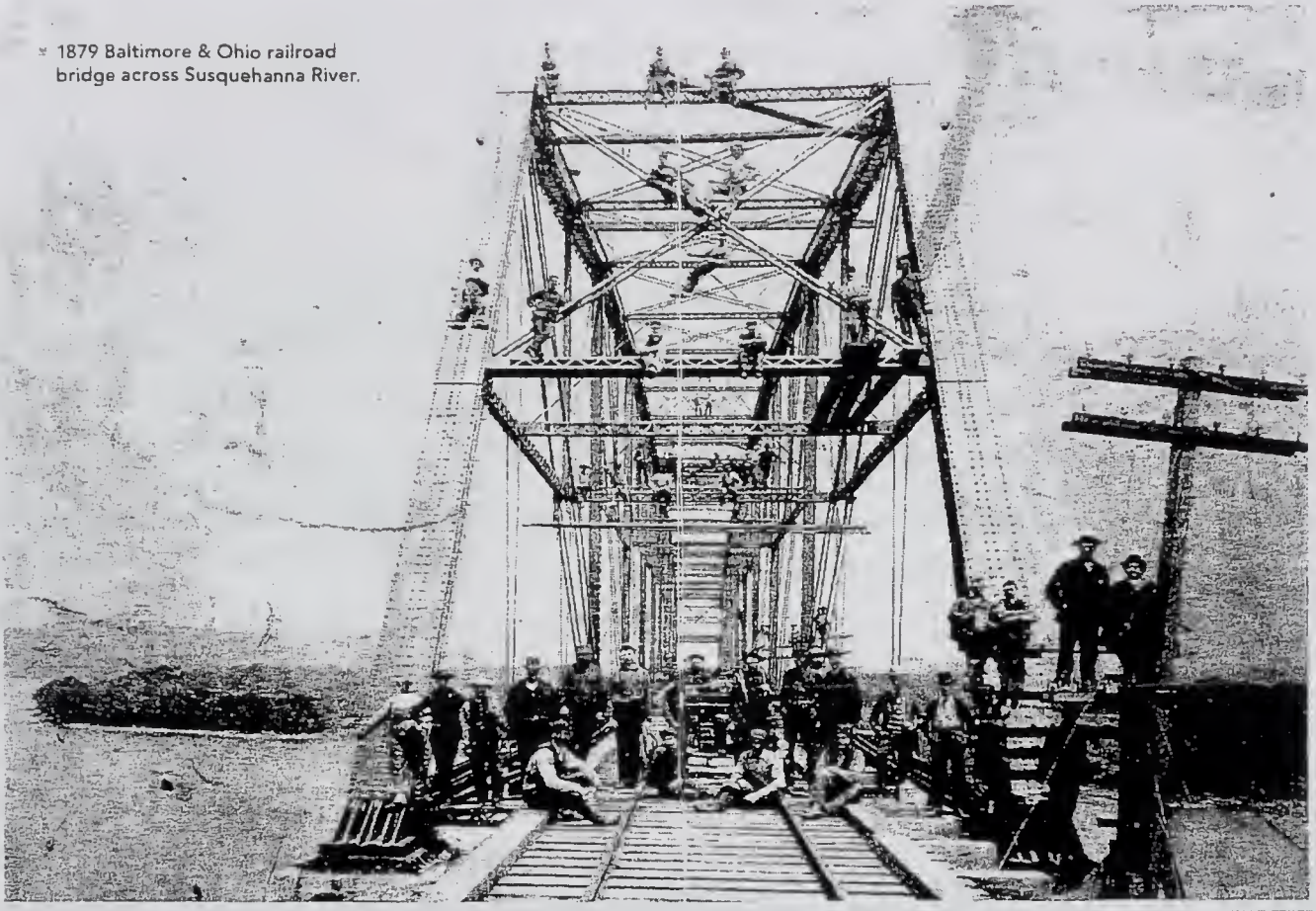
The mirrors remain in nice condition with no rust or foxing on the paper backing. From the text one would suspect that "cloaks" had become out of style around 1914. Also the fact that "weekly" payments were offered would place this is in the pre1930 time frame. Peoples Outfitting Company was not one of Baltimore's major department or mercantile stores as history and time lines of this company are indeed scarce. A nice addition to the Baltimore merchant tokens and historic artifacts from a bygone era.



The B&O Railroad

By; Kaylie Jasinski & Edited by W. Wallace Stone

1879 Baltimore & Ohio railroad bridge across Susquehanna River.



The Baltimore and Ohio was not the first railroad in the U.S., but it was the first common carrier railroad and the first to offer scheduled freight and passenger service to the public. It was also the first intercity railroad in the country, for that it was thought of as the "Railroad University of the United States". Construction on the B&O Railroad began July 4, 1828 with the laying of the first ceremonial stone (now housed in the B&O Railroad Museum in Baltimore) by 90 year old Charles Carroll, the last surviving signer of the Declaration of Independence. The first official passengers rode in horse-drawn carriages on wood rails, but by August of 1830 the railroad switched to steam power. In 1835 more tracks were laid, the railroad reached Washington, D.C. U.S. Mail began to be transported by railway. The B&O reached Cumberland MD. In 1851 and by 1852, the "West" was opened with the extension of the line into Wheeling, VA. (Now WV) A trip that once took several days could now be reached in only 16 hours.

Construction for the first bridge across the Ohio River began in 1868 and took a whopping 37 months to complete. But more bridges continued to be built and by November of 1874, the B&O finally reached Chicago. By the end of the 19th century the B&O railroad had built more than 5800 miles of track and connected some of America's greatest cities, including Chicago, St. Louis, Baltimore, Washington, Philadelphia and New York City. Over the years, improvements continued, more bridges and even tunnels were built, and in 1925 The first diesel locomotive was acquired. But after World War 11, the country began to see an increase in truck traffic, and the railroads fell on hard times. On New Year's Eve in 1962 after losing 61 percent of its line to the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad, the B&O was forced to merge with the C&O Railroad. Over the next 20 years, more changes and mergers would occur in the railroad world and most importantly the creation of the CSX Corporation (under C&O) in 1980. And only six years later CSX would merge all the railroads lines into CSX Transportation, and finally put to rest the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.



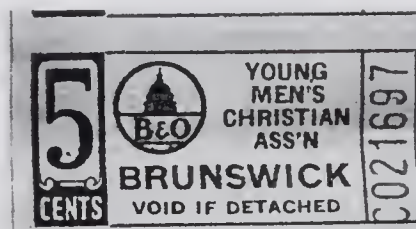
B&O Railroad Brass Baggage Claim Check Token ca 1890

B. & O. Y. M. C. A. - Brunswick, Maryland

By Russ Sears



Brass token - 25mm across
B.&O. Y.M.C.A.
Brunswick,
Maryland /
Towel Check



Chit, ticket - 52mm
5 cents



The town of Brunswick was once known as Buffalo Wallow, Coxson Rest, Eels Pot, Eel Town, Potomac Crossing, Tankersville, Berlin and Barry before 1890 when the B&O Railroad named it Brunswick because so many citizens came from Brunswick, Germany.

The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad and the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal both came to Brunswick in 1834. In early America, you either traveled by water or over land. The canal allowed the movement of goods and people by water while roads, particularly turnpikes were used without regard to where the water was. When the B&O Railroad was chartered in 1827, it would provide another way of traveling and moving goods.

The B&O freight classification yard was opened in 1890, the same year Brunswick was incorporated. In 1907, the yard there became the largest and busiest yard of its type in the world.

The concept of a Railroad YMCA began in 1872 in Cleveland. Its purpose was to provide railroad workers with a clean room for their stay at the location. The B&O Y. M. C. A. in Brunswick was built on land donated by the B&O Railroad in 1907 and stayed there until it burned down in the 1980's.

Using tokens or chits (tickets) was normal for many company towns in the early 1900's. The company could give these items to their employees to use for purchasing items or, in the case of the token, for a towel.

References: Brunswick Main Street on the Internet
W. M. C. A. history on the Internet



History

The area now known as Brunswick was originally home to the Susquehanna Indians. In 1728 the first settlement was built, and the region became known as Eel Town, because the natives would fish for eel in the Potomac River. A grant to the land was then given to John Hawkins by George II of Great Britain on August 10, 1753. The grant had the name "Hawkins Merry-Peep-o-Day".^[4]

The land was sold and Leonard Smith platted it in 1787 with the name of "Berlin," as many Germans settled in the area. The name "Berlin," however, could not be used for mail as there was already a Berlin on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, so the post office changed the name to "Barry." The town continued to grow and was incorporated April 18, 1890 with the name "Brunswick."

Established along the now-defunct Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, the town became a hub for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, which built a six-mile-long rail yard along the Potomac from 1891 to 1912, boosting the population to over 5,000, and making Brunswick virtually a company town. The railroad reduced its yard operations in the 1950s.

Today Brunswick is home to a commuter rail station serving Washington, D.C.. It is home of the Brunswick Railroad Museum that shows the history of the city and is home of a large model railroad showing why the city's location was important to the railroad.

THE ORDER OF THE PURPLE MARTIN

A special award from the Glenn L. Martin Company

Russ Sears



10K gold pin
About 14mm across

Sometimes, and not very often, there are awards given to employees for the highest contributions to a company. The Order of the Purple Martin was the award of the Glenn L. Martin Company.

Founded in Los Angeles in 1912, the Glenn L. Martin Company was the company of aviation pioneer Glenn L. Martin. Yes, Glenn L. Martin was a pioneer in aviation. Some aviation heavyweights who were trained by or worked for Martin included William Boeing, Donald Douglas, Lawrence Bell and James McDonnell.

After a 1916 merger with the Wright Company to form Wright-Martin Aircraft Company, Martin left that company in September 1917 and returned to his own Glenn L. Martin Company and operated in Cleveland, Ohio. In 1929, after encouragement to move to Maryland, Martin left Cleveland and moved to Middle River where the company exists today as Lockheed Martin.

It was felt that Martin employees who were outstanding in achievement should be recognized and rewarded, just as pilots of their planes were recognized for their achievements by the award of flying medals. The idea was talked about for some time until it was announced in September 1942 that the recognition would be called The Order of the Purple Martin.

A man or woman who contributed special inventions and patents would be eligible for the award and would be called a Chancellor of the Order. An honorary membership was awarded to a person who was considered having made a contribution to aviation other than an invention. A lapel pin for The Order of the Purple Martin was given to the employee. It was an honor to be awarded the pin which today is a highly coveted item by aviation history collectors, at least to those who are aware of its existence.

Resources: Wikipedia
 Glenn L. Martin Aviation Museum website
 The Martin Star, September 1942



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